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ORDER

New Delhi, the 28th April 1960

No. 11/6/59-Sect. IV.—In pursuance of the provisions contained in article 339 of the Constitution, the President is hereby pleased to appoint a Commission (to be called the Scheduled Areas and Scheduled Tribes Commission) consisting of the following members:—

- (1) Shri U. N. Dhebar, who shall be the Chairman of the Commission
 - (2) Shri D. Basumatari, M.P.
 - (3) Shri H. C. Heda, M.P.
 - (4) Shri Jaipal Singh, M.P.
 - (5) Shri T. Sanganna, M.P.
 - (6) Shri Manikyalal Verma, M.P.
 - (7) Shri Narayan Rao M. Wadiwa, M.P.
 - (8) Shri Subodh Hansda, M.P.
 - (9) Shri D. J. Naik.
 - (10) Shri Dharam Dev Shastri.
 - (11) Dr. Verrier Elwin.
2. The Scheduled Areas and Scheduled Tribes Commission shall report on—
- (a) the administration of the Scheduled Areas under the Fifth Schedule to the Constitution, and, in particular, as to
 - (i) the functioning of the Tribes Advisory Councils;
 - (ii) the laws applicable to the Scheduled Areas and the exercise by the Governors concerned of powers under paragraph 5 of the Fifth Schedule; and
 - (iii) the principles to be followed in declaring any territory to be, or to form part of, a Scheduled Area, or directing that any territory shall cease to be, or cease to form part of, a Scheduled Area;
 - (b) the welfare of the Scheduled Tribes in the States and, in particular, whether the development plans in relation to matters connected with the welfare of Scheduled Tribes require any alteration in respect of objectives, priorities or details of working; and
 - (c) any other matter connected with the administration of Scheduled Areas or the welfare of the Scheduled Tribes in the States which may hereafter be specifically referred to the Commission for investigation and report.

3. The Commission may—

- (a) obtain such information as they may consider necessary or relevant for their purpose from the Central Government, the State Governments and such other authorities, organisations or individuals as may, in the opinion of the Commission, be of assistance in their work;
- (b) appoint such and so many sub-committees from amongst their members as the Commission may think fit for the purpose of exercising such powers and performing such duties as may be delegated to them by the Commission;
- (c) visit or depute any sub-committee to visit such parts of India as the Commission may consider necessary or expedient;
- (d) hold their sittings or the sittings of any sub-committee at such times and such places as may be determined by or under the authority of the Chairman;
- (e) act notwithstanding the temporary absence of any member of the Commission or the existence of any vacancy among the members; and
- (f) regulate their own procedure in so far as no provision is made in this Order in that behalf.

4. The Commission shall consider the evidence obtained by them and make their report to the President as soon as may be practicable, but not later than the 1st day of December, 1960.

By Order of the President,

V. VISWANATHAN, Special Secy.

